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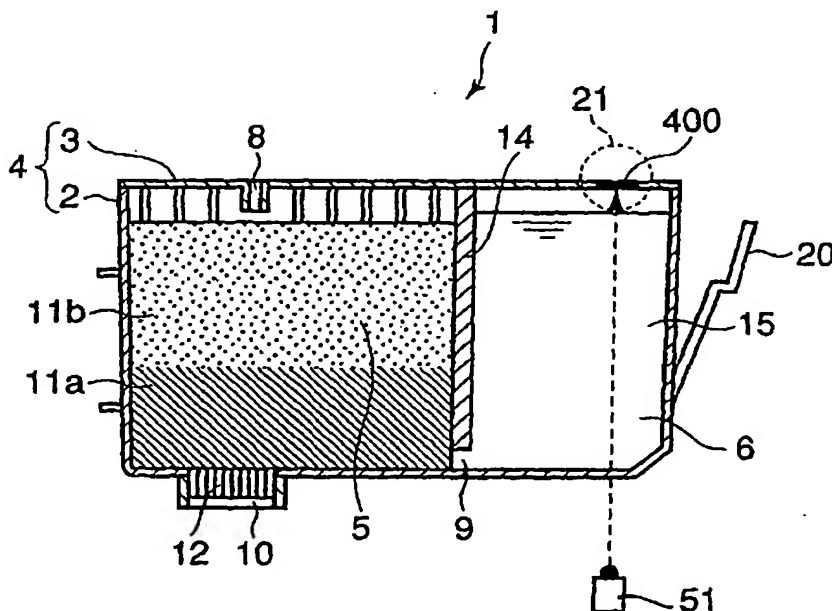
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a liquid tank having a liquid
remaining amount sensing module
that makes it possible to reliably
determine that the amount of ink
has reached a predetermined value,
in spite of its simple and compact
configuration. In the ink tank, an
information storage element and
a module are provided on a ceiling
portion of an ink accommodating
chamber directly accommodating
ink; the module having an optical
reflector that faces downward in
a vertical direction. A housing
of the ink tank is composed of a
transparent resin. Infrared light
from an external light emitting
section is incident on the optical
reflector. The reflected light is
received by a light receiving section
and then, the quantity of light is
measured.

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